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CONFERENCE THEME: African Economic and Social Crisis: Review, Prospects and perspectives

1. Opening of the Meeting

2. Election of Officers

3. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

4. African Economic and Social Crisis: Review of Developments since the Commission's last session in May 1984

   (i) Survey of Economic and Social Conditions in Africa, 1983-1984;

   (ii) ECA/ADB Annual Economic Report, 1984-1985;

   (iii) Report on the special debates on the African economic and social crisis at the 1984 summer session of ECOSOC, the 39th session of the General Assembly of the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity 20th Summit;

   (iv) Critical Situation of Food and Agriculture in Africa, 1984;

   (v) Report of the Regional Ministerial Meeting on Africa's External Indebtedness.

5. African economic and social crisis - prospects for 1985 and 1986

   (i) Preliminary Perspectives for the African Emergency Situation and Rehabilitation Needs, 1985;

   (ii) Survival programmes for rehabilitation, resettlement, reconstruction and revitalization:

      (a) The crisis and food and agricultural development;

      (b) The crisis and water development, preservation and utilization;

      (c) The crisis and rehabilitation and reconstruction of infrastructural facilities;

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(d) The crisis and industrial rehabilitation and revitalization;

(e) The crisis of unemployment and human resources management;

(f) Subregional approach to national survival.

6. Quinquennial review and appraisal of economic performance in Africa

(i) Review and appraisal of economic performance in Africa, 1980-1985 (in the light of the International Development Strategy and the Lagos Plan of Action);

(ii) Survey of economic and social conditions in the Least Developed African Countries, 1981-1984;

(iii) Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action in African Least Developed Countries;

(iv) Evaluation of the implementation of the Regional Food Plan for Africa, 1978-1984;

(v) Progress report on the implementation of the Mar del Plata Plan of Action in Africa (1978-1984);

(vi) Evaluation of the physical implementation of the first phase (1980-1983); of the United Nations Transport and Communications Decade in Africa;

(vii) Review and appraisal of the achievements in the integration of women in the development process within the context of the United Nations Decade for Women.

7. Relaunching the initiative for long-term growth and development in Africa: Selected issues, sectors and programmes

(i) Long-term measures for combating drought and desertification;

(ii) Proposals for food and agricultural development, 1986-1990;

(iii) Comprehensive Policies and Programmes for Livestock Development in Africa;

(iv) Human resources management in Africa: An Agenda for Action;

(v) Development and utilization of mineral resources in Africa;

(vi) The Arusha Forward-Looking Strategies for the advancement of African Women beyond the United Nations Decade for Women;

(vii) Establishing the African Monetary Fund: Progress report;

(viii) Developing African capabilities for the exploration, exploitation and development of marine resources in Africa;

(ix) Development of Ocean Energy;

(x) Problems and Prospects for Harmonization of Forestry Development Policies in Africa.

8. Mobilization and Rational Utilization of Resources and the Problems of Economic Management: Selected Issues

(i) The Balance-of-Payments Problems of African Developing Countries: A Reassessment;

(ii) Study on foreign exchange leakages in Africa;

(iii) Improving the capacity of agricultural planning and policies in African developing countries;

(iv) Improving the management of African economies; some problematic areas.

9. Reports of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission:

(i) Report of the annual sessions of the MULPOCs;

(ii) Report of the Fourth Meeting of the Conference of African Ministers of Social Affairs;

(iii) Report of the Second Conference of Ministers responsible for Human Resources Planning, Development and Utilization;

(iv) Report of the Second Meeting of Vice-Chancellors, Rectors and Vice-Presidents of African Institutions of Higher Learning;

(v) Report of the fifth meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts of the Least Developed African Countries;

(vi) Report of the African Intergovernmental Committee of Experts for Science and Technology for Development;

(vii) Report of the African Intergovernmental Group on the aspects of the applications of the provisions of the Convention on the Law of the Sea;

(viii) Report of the Sixth Meeting of the African Regional Co-ordinating Committee for the Integration of Women in Development;

(ix) Report on the Inaugural Meeting of the Federation of African Chambers of Commerce;

(x) Report on the International Population Conference, Mexico, 6-13 August 1984;

(xi) Final report of the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Committee on ECA/OAU sponsored Institutions;

(xii) Report and recommendations of the Fifth Conference of Chief Executives of ECA-sponsored Regional and Subregional Institutions;

(xiii) Report of the Regional Technical Committee for PADIS established by resolution 498(XIX) of 26 May 1984;

(xiv) Progress report on the Industrial Development Decade for Africa;

(xv) Future funding of the Institut Africain de Developpement Economique et de Planification (IDEP).

10. Follow-up actions on resolutions and decisions adopted by the Nineteenth Session of the Commission and Tenth Meeting of the Conference of Ministers.

11. Resolutions and decisions adopted by ECOSOC at its second regular session of 1984 and by the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session in the Economic and Social sectors that are of interest to Africa.

12. Programme of work and priorities of the Commission:

(a) Implementation of the Programme of work and Priorities for the biennium 1984-1985;

(b) Proposed programme of work and priorities for the biennium 1986-1987.

13. The United Nations Trust Fund for African Development:

(a) Progress report on the Utilization of Pledges for 1983 and 1984;

(b) Programme and Projects for the 1985 Pledging Conference.

14. Staff and administrative questions.

15. Preparations for the Fortieth Anniversary of the United Nations.

16. Forthcoming 21st Summit of the OAU which will be devoted exclusively to economic matters.

17. Any other business.

18. Date and venue of the Seventh Meeting of the Technical Preparatory Committee of the Whole.

19. Adoption of the report and draft resolutions for submission to the Conference of Ministers.

20. Closure of the meeting.